

by election the following members are declared elected :—

1. Sri K. Hanumanthaiya
2. Sri M. V. Rama Rao
3. Sri T. Mariappa
4. Sri H. S. Rudrappa
5. Sri N. Huchmashy Gowda
6. Sri L. Siddappa
7. Sri J. Mohamed Imam.

Under sub-rule (2) of Rule 184 the Deputy Speaker will also be a member of the Committee and the Speaker shall be the Chairman of this Committee.

### STATISTICS RELATING TO QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Mr. SPEAKER.—Another information I would like to give, that is, the Statements of Questions :

Number of questions tabled ...	679
Number of questions admitted ...	667
Number of questions to which replies were furnished including today's list ...	259
Number of replies pending in our office ...	120
Number of questions to which replies are pending ...	288

#### *Short Notice Questions*

Number of questions tabled ...	13
Number of questions disallowed	11
(Consent of the Minister not given to 3 and disallowed by the Speaker 8.)	
Number of questions admitted by the Speaker and sent to Ministers for consent but with respect to which they have not yet indicated consent	2

### SCOPE FOR DISCUSSION ON RULES FOR APPOINTMENT OF MUNSIFFS.

Sri J. MOHAMED IMAM (Jagalur) — Sir, I have got to bring to the notice of the Chair an important matter. The rules governing the appointment of persons to the posts of Munsiffs have been placed before this House only just now. I think it is appropriate that an opportunity should be given to

this House to discuss these rules and about their merits. Because it is placed before the House only just now, that is on the last day of the session, this opportunity to discuss has been denied to the House. So I would like to know whether the Government will invite the opinion of this House, under Article 309 of the Constitution, and obtain approval of this House for these rules.

Mr. SPEAKER.—There can be no debate so far as this matter is concerned.

Sri J. MOHAMED IMAM.—I beg to submit that under Article 309 all these rules will have to be governed. The provision reads as under:

“Subject to the provisions of this Constitution, Acts of the appropriate Legislature may regulate the recruitment, and conditions of service of persons appointed, to public services and posts in connection with the affairs of the Union or any State:”

So, I think that under this article it is necessary that the Government should obtain the approval of this House regarding the rules governing the appointments; because all appointments to the public service have to be made under appropriate Acts passed by appropriate Government.

Mr. SPEAKER.—The Hon'ble Member may read the article in full. There is a proviso to that article.

Sri J. MOHAMED IMAM.—There is a proviso; but under the article itself these rules have been issued.

Mr. SPEAKER.—These rules have been issued under the proviso.

Sri J. MOHAMED IMAM.—But anyhow it must receive the approval of this House.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Whatever that may be, it is not a subject matter for debate today.

Sri J. MOHAMED IMAM.—In my humble opinion, it is a subject matter for debate.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Whether it can be considered during the next session or not is a matter which requires to be considered. At any rate, it cannot be taken up today.